



ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

# Safety Sense

## Fire Safety



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## What you need to do when fire strikes!



### If your clothes catch on fire, you should:

Stop, drop, and roll - until the fire is extinguished. Running only makes the fire burn faster.

**To escape a fire, you should:** Check closed doors for heat before you open them. If you are escaping through a closed door, use the back of your hand to feel the top of the door, the doorknob, and the crack between the door and door frame before you open it. Never use the palm of your hand or fingers to test for heat - burning those areas could impair your ability to escape a fire (i.e., ladders and crawling).

## What to do in the Event of a Fire

Crawl low under any smoke to your exit heavy smoke and poisonous gases collect first along the ceiling. Close doors behind you as you escape to delay the spread of the fire. Stay out once you are safely out. Do not re-enter. Call 9-1-1

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Hot Door	Cool Door
Do not open. Escape through a window. If you cannot escape, hang a white or light-colored sheet outside the window, alerting fire fighters to your presence.	Open slowly and ensure fire and/or smoke is not blocking your escape route. If your escape route is blocked, shut the door immediately and use an alternate escape route, such as a window. If clear, leave immediately through the door and close it behind you. Be pre-pared to crawl. Smoke and heat rise. The air is clearer and cooler near the floor.

## Calling 911!

\*If the alarm sounds, or a fire is suspected, call the Fire Department immediately. \*After calling the Fire Department, if you determine that there is no fire, but rather a malfunction of your equipment or a false alarm, call 911 and relay this information. \*Never wait to investigate the situation before notifying the Fire Department. Any delay will

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allow a fire to grow and further endanger the building

## What is your emergency?



It's important for employees calling **911** to be able to give the following information: - Nature of the problem, location, address, nearest cross street, any specifics known.

The caller should not hang up until told to do so by the emergency operator.

## Close Doors When Exiting

By closing doors, you help limit the spread of smoke and fire throughout the building. Doors should be closed by employees as they leave, and by building coordinators assigned to check the floor during an alarm.

**KEEP  
CALM  
AND  
CLOSE  
THE DOOR**

## Never use Elevators During a Fire Emergency



The reason is three fold:

- 1) Elevators often fail during a fire, trapping occupants
- 2) Elevator shafts may fill with smoke
- 3) The elevator needs to be available for the use of arriving firefighters. Occupants must exit by way of stairwells only.

## Area of Refuge

If unable to leave the building, create an area of refuge. Seal the room. Use wet cloth to stuff around cracks in doors and seal up vents to protect against smoke.

**Do not break windows.** Flames and smoke can come back in from the outside. If you need air, open the window a crack. Stay low under smoke. The freshest air is near the floor.

If air temperature is not super-heated, keep a wet cloth over your nose and mouth and breathe through your nose only. Signal for help. Use the telephone, or hang a white shirt or paper in the window.



# *What do you know about fire extinguishers?*

*Is there a fire risk where we work?*

*Which extinguishers are in our workplace?*

*How do I know what extinguisher is for what fire?*

*Are we expected to use them and when?*

*How do I use a fire extinguisher?*

*All Valid questions that are answer with training*



*If your unit is in need of Fire Extinguisher Training there is help available.*

Fire & Emergency Services at Camp Rapid can help as they have a new training tool for Fire Extinguisher Training.



The system is called the Bullex, the system comes with 3 fire extinguishers, the simulator which will create a tough fire or an easy fire and an instructor who can teach the classroom portion or just the fire activity.

The system is run on propane so it can be set anywhere such as parking lots or even your back door. No messy clean up and no dangerous actions with fuel.

If you have any questions or would like to schedule training please feel free to call.

Training consist of a 30 minute class room discussion and presentation.

Then there is short practical exercise where you are able to deploy a fire extinguisher.

When planning for the training you want to set up the classroom part for up to 30 students then brake the groups down to ten or fifteen for the practical exercise.

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NOT ALL **BOMBS**  
LOOK LIKE A **BOMB**  
**DON'T TOUCH!**



If you find any object that resembles this, do not touch or move it. It's an unexploded ordnance and still could explode.  
**Call 911 and report it.**



**UXO**  
**UNEXPLODED ORDNANCE**

Sergeant Woof says if you see anything that looks strange on the ground be sure to stay away. Tell a grown up to call 911 and report it.



**R**ecognize  
**R**etreat  
**R**eport

Remember the **3Rs** of Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Safety:  
**Recognize:** What may be UXO  
**Retreat:** Safely leave the area  
**Report:** Call 911

If you did **not** drop it, do **not** pick it up!

# RECOGNIZE

Sergeant Woof sees old ammo!



# RETREAT

## Don't touch it!

Sergeant Woof turns and follows his tracks away from the danger.



# REPORT

Sergeant Woof, with help from an adult, calls 911 and describes what he found and where he found it.



## Recognize

- Realize when you may have found ammo

## Retreat

- Do not touch, move, or disturb ammo--carefully leave the area, but do not run

## Report

- Tell a parent or other adult to call 911

For more information, visit

<https://www.denix.osd.mil/uxosafety>